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# VOTERS GUIDE

**NORTHAMPTON AND  
LEHIGH COUNTIES**

**PRIMARY  
2019**

**TUESDAY, MAY 21**  
**POLLS OPEN 7 A.M.-8 P.M.**

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## ABSENTEE VOTING

Registered voters who are ill, disabled or will be absent from the municipality on Election Day may vote by absentee ballot. Completed applications for civilian absentee ballots must be received by the county Board of Elections by 5 p.m. May 14. Completed civilian absentee ballots must be received back at the Board of Elections by 5 p.m. May 17. If an emergency arises (unexpected illness or business trip) after the May 14 deadline, call your county Board of Elections for information on emergency absentee voting. Proof of emergency may be required. An emergency application and ballot can be obtained and voted by 5 p.m. May 14. Any disabled voter having questions regarding the accessibility of a polling place should consult the county Board of Election.

## WRITE-IN VOTING

Information for write-in voting will be available at the polling place.

## ELECTION DAY PROBLEMS

If your right to vote is challenged at the polls on Election Day and the problem cannot be resolved at the polling place, the judge of elections at the polling place should telephone the county Board of Elections. The problem could be resolved by phone if your name appears on the county records. If it does not and you want to try to resolve the problem, then you can go in person to the county Board of Elections, where a judge from the Court of Common Pleas will be on duty to resolve election problems. Alternatively you can ask for and vote by provisional ballot. If it is later determined that you were eligible to vote your ballot will be counted. You will be given instructions on how to determine if your vote was counted. If you have any questions or need to report any problems, call 1-866-OUR-VOTE for assistance in English or Spanish or 1-888-API-VOTE for assistance in Asian languages.

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If you are a new voter or if you are voting at a polling place for the first time, then you must bring your voter ID card or photo ID such as a driver's license, student ID or some other form of federal or state government-issued ID. Some forms of nonphoto ID are also acceptable such as a firearm permit, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck or government check. If you do not have any acceptable ID, then you must be allowed to vote by provisional ballot. If you are not a new voter and are not voting at the polling place for the first time, you are NOT required to bring or provide identification.

## ONLINE VOTERS GUIDE

The Vote411 Online Voters Guide is available at [www.vote411.org](http://www.vote411.org). Links to this guide as well as links to Vote411 and other useful information for voters can be found on the League of Women Voters of Pennsylvania homepage: [www.palwv.org](http://www.palwv.org). Information about the Lehigh Valley candidates may be found at [www.lwv.org](http://www.lwv.org) in the Voters Guide pages.

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## SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE

**Candidates were asked:** What is the most important quality in a judge?

**Job Description**

The Superior Court is one of Pennsylvania's two statewide intermediate appellate courts. This court, which was established in 1895, reviews most of the civil and criminal cases that are appealed from the Courts of Common Pleas in the commonwealth's 67 counties. The Superior Court consists of 15 judges who serve 10-year terms. The president judge of Superior Court is elected to a five-year term by his or her colleagues. A huge volume of appeals flows to Superior Court from the trial courts. Generally, appeals are heard by panels of three judges sitting in Philadelphia, Harrisburg or Pittsburgh. The court often is the final arbiter of legal disputes. Although the Supreme Court may grant a petition for review of a Superior Court decision, most such petitions are denied and the ruling of the Superior Court stands.

**Term:** 10 years

**Salary:** \$199,114

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than two

**BETH TARASI**

Sewickley Heights, Allegheny County  
www.tarasiforsuperiorcourt.com

**Education:** 1982 - University of Pittsburgh - BA dual major Business - Speech Rhetoric. 1991 - Juris Doctorate

Duquesne University - evening division  
**Qualifications:** I have 28 years of hands on trial and litigation work. This experience uniquely qualifies me. The cases I have handled are the cases that the Superior Court hears and rules on.///

**Response:** A Judge should exhibit the following aspects of proper judicial temperament: Patience, open-mindedness, courtesy, tact, courage, punctuality, firmness, understanding, compassion, humility and common sense. I have appeared before judges thousands of times and I find these qualities to be the most important. One of these qualities without the other is not enough. A judge must have these 11 qualities to render fair and impartial decisions for the citizens (litigants/parties) before them.///

**DANIEL MCCAFFERY**

Bensalem, Bucks County  
www.judgemccaffery.com

**Education:** Temple University, BS., 1988. Temple University School of Law, J.D., 1991

**Qualifications:** I will bring 28 years of legal experience to the Superior Court. As an assistant district attorney assigned to the Major Trials Division, I've prosecuted over 50 jury trials and thousands of bench trials. As a current trial judge since 2013.

**Response:** Impartiality and work ethic.

**AMANDA GREEN-HAWKINS**

Pittsburgh  
www.AmandaGreenHawkins.com

**Education:** Duke University, BA. Northeastern Univ. School of Law, JD

**Qualifications:** I represented the union in courts and federal and state agencies around the country. I was a law clerk for the Hon. Lawrence M. Lawson, AJSC, in the Superior Court of New Jersey - Monmouth Division, and a legal intern for the Hon. Joseph Greenaway,

USDJ.///

**Response:** Temperament is the most important quality in a judge. Parties and litigants in our courts must be heard and treated respectfully, and a judge's temperament is critical to a party's belief that he/she had their day in court by being heard and treated respectfully. People are more likely to accept a decision, even if they disagree with it, if they are treated fairly. A judge must be able to listen, without expressing exasperation, frustration, annoyance.///

**Republican**

Vote for not more than two

**REBECCA WARREN**

Beaver Meadows, Carbon County  
www.warren4judge.com

**Education:** The Dickinson School of Law. Bloomsburg University.

**Qualifications:** I have 27 years of full-time courtroom experience in both civil and criminal law, having presented thousands of cases in county, state and federal courts. I was an elected district attorney who personally prosecuted thousands of cases and instituted robust victim rights programs.

**Response:** The ability to be impartial. A judge must always listen, keep an open mind, and apply the rule of law and Constitution to the facts of each particular case. A judge must act with the utmost integrity, exhibit fairness at all times, and ensure that justice is dispensed equally to everyone. Having lost my father and brother in a double homicide by vehicle and initially being denied justice, made me realize that our justice system is broken.///

**MEGAN MCCARTHY KING**

Easttown Township, Chester County  
meganking2019.com

**Education:** Vanderbilt University, B.A.(1992). University of Pittsburgh

School of Law, J.D. (1995). Rosemont College, M.A.(Ed.) 2010

**Qualifications:** Deputy district attorney Child Abuse Unit, Chester County. Supervisor of the Child and Elder Abuse Units of Lancaster County District Attorney's Office. 2018 awarded Pennsylvania Blue Ribbon Champion for Children. Board president, Child Advocacy Center, Chester County.///

**Response:** The most important quality in a judge is a commitment to impartiality - to set aside his/her own point of view and to carry out the law in a fair and impartial manner. Judges are sworn in to uphold the law - to apply the law to the facts, regardless of popular opinion, political pressure, or personal belief. As a prosecutor, I have a well established reputation for following the facts and the law to a fair conclusion.///

**CHRISTYLEE PECK**

Cumberland County  
electjudgepeck.com/

**Education:** Penn State University, B.A. 1997. Dickinson School of Law, J.D. 2001

**Qualifications:** I have served as a Cumberland County Court of Common Pleas judge since 2012, handling all areas of law (civil, family, PFAs, criminal, dependency, appellate). Before that, I was a prosecutor handling major felonies and child abuse cases.///

**Response:** Fairness, impartiality, respect for the law and for those who come before the court. As a Court of Common Pleas judge, I am prepared with firm knowledge of the law when going into court, but never make a decision before hearing all facts, listening with an open mind and giving legal arguments thoughtful consideration and review. Judges should have an interest and curiosity in the law, and care for the citizens to whom it is applied.///

## LEHIGH COUNTY

## JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

The Court of Common Pleas of Lehigh County is a general jurisdiction trial court located in Allentown, Pennsylvania. There are 10 full-time judges and two senior judges providing judicial services to the citizens of Lehigh County. Each full-time judge is assigned to one or more of the court divisions, which are the Criminal/Juvenile Division, the combined Civil/Motion/Family Court Division and the Orphans' Court Division. Within their respective divisions, the judges hear a wide spectrum of cases, including adult criminal cases, juvenile delinquency cases, lawsuits involving money or property, divorce, custody disputes, child support issues, juvenile dependency cases, estates, guardianships and adoptions. The court provides judicial oversight to Court Administration, Adult Probation, Juvenile Probation, the Domestic Relations Section, the Court Transcription Unit, the Protection from Abuse Office, the Court Interpreting Unit, the Child Custody Office and the Law Library. The Court also provides administrative services to the 14 offices that comprise

the Magisterial District Court System of Lehigh County.

**Term:** 10 years

**Salary:** \$183,184

**Candidates were asked:** 1. What is the most important quality in a judge? 2. Under what circumstances would you recuse or have you recused yourself from a case?

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**WILLIAM A. EHRLICH**

Lower Macungie Township  
www.ehrlichforjudge.com

**D.O.B.:** 1959

**Occupation:** Attorney, Law Offices of Kevin T. Fogerty, Allentown, (21 years).

**Education:** Yale University, B.A. (history), 1981; University of Pennsylvania Law School, J.D., 1986.

**Qualifications:** I have been an attorney for more than 30 years, with both civil law and criminal law experience; served as the legal assistant to the judge appointed to investigate the Luzerne County "kids for cash" Juvenile Court scandal; former law clerk to a Federal District Court judge and a state appeals court judge; former assistant public defender.

**Response Question 1:** Experience is the

most important quality in a judge. To be an effective and impartial judge, a person needs expertise in the law and maturity.

**Response Question 2:** I would recuse myself if my impartiality might reasonably be questioned, as required by the Judicial Conduct Code.

**RASHID O. SANTIAGO**

Allentown  
www.RashidSantiagoForJudge.com

**D.O.B.:** 1984

**Occupation:** Magisterial District Judge (31-1-02)

**Education:** William Allen High School, 1999; George School, 2003; Gwynedd Mercy College, (B.S.) 2007; Widener University School of Law, (J.D.) 2010.

**Qualifications:** As a magisterial district judge, I have presided over hundreds of cases including criminal (preliminary hearings), civil, traffic, and landlord-tenant. Previously, I served as a law clerk to a judge of the Court of Common Pleas. I have been an attorney since 2010.

**Response Question 1:** Judicial temperament. According to the American Bar Association, judicial temperament consists of a candidate's ability to display "compassion, decisiveness, open-mindedness, sensitivity, courtesy,

patience, freedom from bias and commitment to equal justice."

**Response Question 2:** I would recuse myself when my impartiality might be reasonably questioned or when I have a substantial personal interest in a case or personal knowledge about a case. Additionally, I would consider recusal if my personal relationship to a party in a case would create even an appearance of impropriety.

**TOM CAPEHART**

Upper Milford Township  
www.CapehartForJudge.com

**D.O.B.:** 1964

**Occupation:** Partner-Gross McGinley, LLP

**Education:** Emmaus High School, 1982; Dickinson College, 1986; University of Akron School of Law, 1989.

**Qualifications:** Lehigh County attorney for 30 years with vast experience in the civil law that makes up approximately 60% of the court's work, and the highest ethical rating from a national attorney review firm.

**Response Question 1:** Impartial adherence to the law. Judges must not make law from the bench, but instead, ensure that they apply the law to the facts of each case and render a reasoned and fair decision for all who come before the

bench. Over my three decades in the law, I have treated all parties with respect, and will continue this as a judge, so everyone is afforded a fair and impartial hearing.

**Response Question 2:** All judges — myself included — should recuse themselves if unable to be impartial (for example due to a close personal relationship with the attorneys or parties, or a personal knowledge of underlying facts/evidence) or even to avoid the appearance of impropriety using a common sense standard.

**JARED J. HANNA**

Lower Macungie Township  
www.jaredhannaforjudge.com  
**D.O.B.:** 1988

**Occupation:** Assistant District Attorney.

**Education:** Emmaus High School, 2006; Moravian College, B.A. 2009; University of Miami, Fla., J.D., 2012. Assistant District Attorney.

**Qualifications:** Served as law clerk to the Hon. J. Brian Johnson dealing with the civil docket.

**Response Question 1:** The most important quality in a judge is impartiality. When Judges assume the role of a party it undermines the adversarial process that our legal system is built upon. The parties present their side, while the judge is to decide the law in a fair and neutral manner.

**Response Question 2:** I would recuse myself when I could not be fair or where the appearance that I would be unfair would compromise the integrity of the court.

**ANNA-KRISTIE MORFFI MARKS**

South Whitehall Township  
www.AKMforJudge.com  
**D.O.B.:** 1980

**Occupation:** Senior Deputy District Attorney

**Education:** B.A. University of Delaware; J.D. Touro Law Center

**Qualifications:** Special Victims Unit prosecutor; 12 years of extensive jury trial experience; handled the dispositions of thousands of criminal cases; taught nationally and internationally on various legal topics; assisted in the creation of the first hospital-based Child Advocacy Center.

**Response Question 1:** The most important quality is integrity coupled with extensive trial court experience. He or she must be able to uphold the law and treat all parties equally. Involved parties need to have a clear understanding of all judicial rulings and the rationale behind each one.

**Response Question 2:** In accordance with the Judicial Canons, I would recuse myself were there to be a conflict of interest or a reasonable possibility of impartiality being in question.

**ERIC K. DOWDLE**

Coopersburg  
DowdleforJudge.com  
**D.O.B.:** 1967

**Occupation:** Attorney, private practice  
**Education:** Freedom High School, 1985; Dickinson College, 1989, BA, Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude, Departmental Honors; Widener University, 1992, Cum Laude, Distinguished Service Award.

**Qualifications:** Municipal solicitor, 1 year; complex tort litigator, 1 year; assistant district attorney, 8 years; criminal defense attorney, 16 years.

**Response Question 1:** Wisdom — It represents the lessons learned from the depth and breadth of human experience, married to a keen understanding of the law and compassion in its application.

**Response Question 2:** Recusal is the ultimate expression of the judge's interest in fairness. It requires honesty, insight, and self-examination. Recusal is appropriate whenever there is something about a case that calls into serious question the judge's ability to be fair.

**ZACHARY J. COHEN**

Upper Macungie Township  
www.Cohen4Judge.com  
**D.O.B.:** 1977

**Occupation:** Civil trial attorney/partner at Lesavoy Butz & Seitz LLC

**Education:** Moravian Academy, 1995; University of Vermont, 1999, B.A., majors in philosophy and English; Lewis and Clark Law School, 2003, Juris Doctor, Dean's Scholarship for Excellence.

**Qualifications:** Trial attorney, 15 years, litigated in 25 counties; past president, Bar Association of Lehigh County;

Court-appointed arbitrator; state/federal.

**Response Question 1:** To administer "Equal Justice Under Law." Everybody — no matter your socioeconomic status, color, race, religion, sexual orientation, gender, etc. — deserves respect, fair treatment and an impartial judge; a judge who upholds our laws and constitutional protections for the betterment of our community. The courthouse should be a place where people have hope — a place where wrongs can be righted — a place where people's lives can be transformed for the better.  
**Response Question 2:** To avoid the appearance of impropriety where I have a personal relationship with a party or when a litigant has donated significantly to my campaign.

**Candidates in non-judicial races were asked:** "What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?"

**COMMISSIONER AT-LARGE**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than four

**DAN HARTZELL**  
**BOB ELBICH**  
**DAVE HARRINGTON**  
**ZAKIYA SMALLS**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than four

**BRAD OSBORNE**  
**ANTONIO A. PINEDA**  
**MATHIAS MATT GREEN**  
**MARTY NOTHSTEIN**

**COUNTY CONTROLLER**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**MARK PINSLEY**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**GLENN ECKHART**

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**JIM MORENO**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**JIM MARTIN**

**SHERIFF**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**JOE HANNA**

**CLERK OF JUDICIAL RECORDS**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**ANDREA NAUGLE**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**CORONER**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**ERIC D. MINNICH**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE**

**Term:** 6 years

**Salary:** \$91,597

**Candidates were asked:** What three suggestions do you have to improve court procedures and efficiency?

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**TODD P. HEFFELFINGER**

www.facebook.com/pages/category/Political-Candidate/Todd-P-Heffelfinger-For-Magisterial-District-Judge-359481528219499/  
**D.O.B.:** 1962

**Occupation:** Lehigh County Deputy Sheriff

**Education:** Whitehall High School; Lehigh County Vocational Technical School - Class Of 1980; Lehigh County Community College - associates degree - criminal justice; Sheriffs Academy and Allentown Police Academy.

**Qualifications:** Lehigh County deputy sheriff - 12 years; Whitehall police officer 1990-2015; certification from Minor Judiciary Education Board.///  
**Response:** My first suggestion to

improve court procedures and efficiency is to make sure public defender's and assistant district attorney's are available for all criminal hearings to cut down on the number of continuances and lessen back log of cases. I also think increasing security and having a deputy sheriff or constable assigned to the magisterial district judge's office is another way to improve court procedures. Lastly, hearings should be held at a central location to alleviate backlog.///

**NATHAN D. KROMER**

www.facebook.com/nathankromerdistrictmagistrate/  
**D.O.B.:** 1981

**Occupation:** Maintenance technician  
**Education:** Whitehall High School, 1999; Muhlenberg College B.A. Finance (Cum Laude), 2010; Pennsylvania State University, M.P.S. Community

and Economic Development, 2012.  
**Qualifications:** Former Coplay Borough councilman-chair of the finance and administration committee. Served on the police committee. Former Judge of Elections — Coplay District 2. ///

**Response:** The first thing I would do is update the website of the magisterial court and layout the overall procedures of the court so individuals know what to expect in terms of court procedures before arriving at the magistrate's office. No one should be left in the dark. Secondly, if elected as magisterial district judge, I would ensure the court is centered around finding fact. I would establish a procedure where all parties involved would have the opportunity to deliver evidence prior to their district court hearing.///

**DISTRICT 31-1-02**

Allentown Wards 4, 7, 11

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**RASHID O. SANTIAGO**

**DISTRICT 31-1-07**

Whitehall Township and Coplay Borough



**RON SCHOLLER**

www.schollerforjudge.com

**D.O.B.:** 1971**Occupation:** Police officer. Rank, sergeant**Education:** William Allen High School, Community College of The Air Force, Allentown Police Academy, Lehigh Carbon Community College, DeSales University.**Qualifications:** Six-year Air Force veteran. Deployed for four operations in Gulf War I. John Levitow Award winner. Twenty-two year law enforcement veteran. Promoted to the rank of Sergeant.///**Response:** I'd implement online tutorials outlining the resources available to citizens. These would include streamlined processes guiding citizens through the utilization of those resources. Currently no district judge posts rules and forms online. I would change that and incorporate the change with the online tutorials. Lastly, I'd employ an automated, text or phone based scheduling system wherein all parties involved in a case confirm attendance and are notified, in real time, of case schedule updates.**KENNETH P. STEPHENS JR.**

www.stephensformagisterialdisric-tjustice.com

**D.O.B.:** 1964**Occupation:** Whitehall Township police officer**Education:** William Allen H.S., 1982; Kutztown University, 1986, B.S. Criminal Justice; Magisterial District Judge Certification Sept. 17, 2018**Qualifications:** Whitehall Township police officer for over 29 years. Has served as a team leader of the Emergency Response Teams for Whitehall and the Lehigh County.///**Response:** 1. Reduce the number of continuances by holding the parties responsible for the continuance accountable. 2. In cases of domestic violence, felony charges, or DUI cases, have an assistant district attorney automatically assigned to the case and available at the district court office. 3. Assign a liaison within the police departments and district court with the jurisdiction of the district court to maximize officers presence at a hearing and reduce officers presence on days off.**EDWARD FOSTER****D.O.B.:** 1966**Occupation:** Master plumber, Class A trucker, real estate investor**Education:** DeSales University graduate, B.S. Marketing with a minor in Management. Certified by the State of Pennsylvania to perform the duties of magisterial district judge**Qualifications:** I have been certified by the state to perform the duties of magisterial district judge. I hold a master plumbers license, a Class A CDL license, am a real estate investor, and have been in business for over 30 years. I have supported the community at large as the president of the Abe Joseph Sertoma Club. ///**Response:** I would like to initiate sequential scheduling, not block scheduling. Sequential scheduling staggers the starting times of the hearings, while block scheduling schedules all the afternoon hearings at 1:30, forcing the police, witnesses and the parties to wait.**ALBERTA SCARFARO**

No response

**ANDY ROMAN**

www.facebook.com/ElectRomanMDJ

**D.O.B.:** 1956**Occupation:** Certified state constable**Education:** 2016, Pennsylvania Constable Certification - Act 2009-49. 1995, Eastern University, B.A. Business. 1974, Whitehall High graduate**Qualifications:** Whitehall constable, 2015-present. Lehigh County board of commissioners, 2004-2012. Whitehall-Coplay School Board, 1999-2003. 20-year Air Force veteran retired.///**Response:** District judge offices have

three major areas needing vast improvement. Security of the Judge &amp; Staff, Structural Overhead Costs and Constituent Service. Consolidate all 14 Magisterial District Offices into 1 Central Location, preferably the Hamilton Street Post Office. \$600,000.00 savings per year to the taxpayer! Court House would allow Sheriff Deputy Security for all MDJ's, pooling of Secretarial Staff, eliminate travel of Public Defenders to 14 District Offices and allow extended hours for community convenience.

**DISTRICT 31-2-02**

North Whitehall and South Whitehall Townships

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**JACOB E. HAMMOND****DISTRICT 31-3-03**

Coopersburg Borough; Lower Milford, Upper Milford and Upper Saucon Townships

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**DANIEL C. TREXLER****CITY OF ALLENTOWN****Candidates were asked:** What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?**MAYOR****Term:** 2 years**Democrat**

Vote for one

**MICHAEL DANIELS**

No response

**RAY O'CONNELL**

www.facebook.com/oconnellformayor/

**D.O.B.:** 1949**Occupation:** Mayor of Allentown**Education:** B.S., Kutztown State College. M.Ed., Lehigh University**Qualifications:** Allentown City Council 2010-2017. Mayor of Allentown since 2018.**Response:** Allentown is a wonderful city that I have been privileged to call home and be of service to my entire adult life. I promise to continue working toward making it a better place to live, work, and raise a family. I am running to continue the work of rebuilding our city and the trust of our citizens so that Allentown will be a vibrant city, once again on the rise.**PATRICK PALMER**

palmerforallentown.com

**D.O.B.:** 1987**Occupation:** Human relations**Education:** William Allen High School. Kutztown University.**Qualifications:** Business manager, chairman of human relations for the City of Allentown. Acida Board member. Proven leader and city activist. Manager of businesses which allows me to have

the skills necessary to manage and lead while also having the skills necessary to use empathy and understanding.

**Response:** Major issue — Homelessness. Allentown needs to address the affordable housing crisis that's plaguing the city. We need affordable housing so people can afford to live and work. We need to address how many in the city are living paycheck to paycheck, barely keeping a roof over their head. We need a city run homeless shelter that works year round and assists with rehabilitation to get them back on the street.**CHERYL JOHNSON WATTS**

www.cherylwatts.com

**D.O.B.:** 1963**Occupation:** Allentown School District Board director; member of Human Relations Commission, City of Allentown**Education:** B.A., Princeton University, 1985; Summer Fellowship, Association of Public Policy and Management, SUNY at Stony Brook, 1984.**Qualifications:** School board director — serves on Finance Committee, Negotiations Committee and city's Human Relations Commission. Financial adviser — provided wealth management advice, retirement planning and financial solutions.///**Response:** Allentown's economy is the major issue in this campaign. A budget deficit led to a 27% tax increase, rental prices are trending high while local residents' salaries are low and homeless cannot find adequate services to transition themselves to a new life. In this 2-year term I will find new ways to generate revenue, cultivate incentives for affordable housing and increase community resources through a collaborative, inclusive and communication-driven manner.**Republican**

Vote for one

**TIMOTHY RAMOS****CITY COUNCIL****Term:** 4 years**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**CANDIDA AFFA****D.O.B.:** 1943**Occupation:** City councilperson**Education:** High school**Qualifications:** Current councilwoman, sits on Public Safety, Blighted Property, Disruptive Conduct & Economic Development Committees.**Response:** The major issues I will focus on are public safety and community policing programs, along with safe and affordable housing, and continuing the work to rebuild citizen trust in city government by providing more transparency and televising council meetings, so more citizens can be involved and informed. I will continue to work with my colleagues and the community to move Allentown forward for all citizens.**JOSHUA SIEGEL**

www.votejoshsiegel.com/

**D.O.B.:** 1993**Occupation:** Public Information Officer**Education:** B.S International Relations and Diplomacy, Seton Hall University**Qualifications:** Public information officer, Lehigh County. Lehigh County Democratic State Committeeman. Volunteer Speech and Debate Coach.**Response:** I believe the major issue of this campaign is ensuring Allentown gets fresh faces and new ideas and a clear sense of direction about where it needs to go in the future. I want to find

fairer ways of raising tax revenue that protects our seniors and working class from financial burden, tackle blight, absentee landlords and promote economic development that prioritizes every part of the city, and make Allentown an All-American City.

**COURTNEY ROBINSON****D.O.B.:** 1982**Occupation:** Territory account manager Meier & Dutch Wholesale**Education:** Graduate Parkland High School, 2001. Attended DeSales University**Qualifications:** Currently a member of City Council serving as chair of the Community and Economic Development Committee. Member of the Parks and Public Works Committees. Co-chair Open Data Committee.**Response:** The glut of blighted properties in Allentown is the greatest issue we must tackle. Far too many of our neighborhoods contain properties that are falling apart, filled with trash and a genuine threat to public health and safety. Tackling this issue will have a real impact on both the quality of life in our neighborhoods and home values. We must aggressively target these problem properties and use every tool to address these issues quickly.**LUIS E. ACEVEDO**

www.facebook.com/friendsofluisacevedo/photos/a.2308862862728686/2319965958285043/?type=1&amp;theater

**D.O.B.:** 1971**Occupation:** Manager**Education:** Graduate from Eastern District High School 11 grade in 1990**Qualifications:** Manager RJ Walker 16 years; president Mountainville Memorial Little League - current; president of Extreme Illusion; guest of honor at the

2017 Puertorrican Culture Preservation and Festival PRCP; I was nominee for 2018 Leader of the year at "The Latin Golden Awards."

**Response:** A big amount of Allentown resident minimum wage workers, working full time can not afford market rate for a studio yet a 1 or 2 bedroom apartment. I will search for grants that will help to repair abandon homes and also help landlords that are having hard time to repair their home instead of condemning them. I will bring to the council table a discussion for rent relief, so that families can have extra.. ///

**CE-CE GERLACH**

www.voteorcece.com

**D.O.B.:** 1986

**Occupation:** Mental health therapist

**Education:** Cedar Crest College, B.S in Elementary Education; Muhlenberg College, pursuing B.S. in business management

**Qualifications:** Allentown School Board — 2011 to present, past vice president 2015-2018, Policy and Education Committee co-chair, Allentown Recreation Commission, Allentown Library Board, Baum School Art Board of Trustees (past), Jobs for Allentown

Advocacy Group, Allentown Coalition for Economic Dignity.///

**Response:** The city needs to focus on working class people and neighborhoods. Through policy, we can ensure that the billions of dollars being poured into 3 blocks downtown actually stretches out into the community. We must improve the stability and quality of life in our neighborhoods, which means increasing home ownership, enforcing building codes, tackling homelessness, increasing access to living wage jobs, educational and recreational opportunities for our youth and adults. We must put people over politics.

**JOHN ROSARIO**

**D.O.B.:** 1959

**Occupation:** Real estate, tax professional. ///

**Education:** Real estate, accounting and tax professional.

**Qualifications:** Real estate, accounting professional, self employed, owner: B & R Enterprises. 26 Years.

**Response:** Lack of housing for our citizens has a very negative impact in our communities, our people are not "invested" in their communities, we

need a community bank to partner with and help our citizens to obtain their own homes. As City Council I will propose ways for our citizens to "qualify" without the burden of credit bureaus that only look to make negative reporting for people to pay higher interests on their loans. We need to balance the budget, corruption has impacted our finances a great deal, we lose a ton of money in city contracts that only benefit the contractors.///

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**JOE HOFFMAN**

**D.O.B.:** 1954

**Occupation:** Professional grant writer

**Education:** Allentown parochial and public school systems. William Allen High School 1971. Lehigh University and Penn State University 1975.

**Qualifications:** Raised \$75 million in a 40 year revenue generating career. Served 10 years on staffs of City Parks and Planning Bureaus. Served 15 years for environmental nonprofits.///

**Response:** City desperately needs substantial budget cuts; lower taxes,

lower spending. It also needs significant additional revenue from non-tax and non-fee sources. Therefore, I propose a Millennial Leadership Council for ages 21-39 that will aid me in that fundraising effort as well as train them for future city elected office. I can raise these funds in ways no one else can. Taxes must come down and this is the only real way to do it.

**CITY CONTROLLER**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**JEFF GLAZIER**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**CITY OF BETHLEHEM**

**See Northampton County portion of this guide.**

**BOROUGH**

**Candidates in contested races were asked:** What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

**ALBURTIS COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than four

**VANESSA TAGGART  
STEPHEN KAUFMAN**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than four

**JOHN J. ALESZCZYK  
RONALD J. DEIACO**

**CATASAUQUA COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than four

**CAMERON SMITH  
BRIAN BARTHOLOMEW**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than four

**EUGENE H. SCHLEGEL  
BRIAN K. MCKITTRICK  
JESSICA KROOPE**

**COOPERSBURG COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**DANIELLE M. THRAPP  
DICK POOT**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**WILLIAM W. KANE**

**COPLAY COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**RICHARD W. KERN JR.**

**D.O.B.:** 1972

**Occupation:** College professor/retired educator

**Education:** Graduate of William Allen High School; Bachelor of Science degree and Masters of Science degree earned from Kutztown University in elementary education; principal certification earned from Pennsylvania State University. **Qualifications:** Kutztown University professor; retired Allentown School District principal and educator; member of the Board of Directors for Coplay Sports.///

**Response:** I believe there are no issues in the Borough of Coplay. I would like to get involved as a council member to keep the momentum going forward with regards to what the council has in place and has started. I am a firm believer that change starts at the local level. I believe informational meetings need to take place outside of the monthly council workshops and meetings so that citizens are informed.///

**DEAN R. HERMANY**

No response

**JANET A. EISENHAUER**

**D.O.B.:** 1951

**Occupation:** Retired as a SVP from Wells Fargo.

**Education:** Graduate of Whitehall Coplay School District. Attended Kutztown

College. Certified Treasury professional. Completed various banking, systems and management classes.

**Qualifications:** Financial background. President of the Coplay Library Board. Instituted many changes my first term — updating job descriptions, instituted performance reviews, documented all internal jobs, upgraded office, telephone and website, added audit features within the office operations, introduced Trexler Grant opportunities to both the borough and the library.///

**Response:** Continuing to find opportunities to support the residents of Coplay Borough with the most effective and efficient services within our budget guidelines and resources. Constant review of internal processes and make suggestion for changes that will benefit the overall operations of the borough and address regulations and audit procedures.

**MARK A. MOLITORIS**

**D.O.B.:** 1966

**Occupation:** Property management

**Education:** Graduated Whitehall High School and Lehigh County Vocational Technical School, electrical construction 1984

**Qualifications:** I have over 25 years property management experience. I feel my proven history of helping to resolve resident's concerns, supervision of employees at 16 apartment communities in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, providing quality affordable housing for more than 3,500 residents, along with my experience negotiating contracts for insurances, property maintenance and repairs./// **Response:** Property taxes are always a concern. The sad truth is, items have been ignored in the past that cost more money now to repair. I'm not afraid to admit, I voted in favor of the slight tax increases in Coplay the past few years. Please consider, expenses continue to increase and your property tax is the Borough of Coplay's "source of income."///

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**EMMAUS COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than four

**TERI SORG MCMANAMON  
JIM KERCHER  
JOHN HART**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than four

**CHAD BALLIET  
TREVOR SCHNECK  
CHRIS A. DEFRAIN  
DAVID BOCCHINO**

**FOUNTAIN HILL COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**ANNAMARIE JORDAN**

**D.O.B.:** 1948

**Occupation:** Retired Consolidated Rail Corporation

**Education:** Allentown Central Catholic H.S., 1965; Cedar Crest College, 3.5 average, 1988.

**Qualifications:** Borough council member, 4 years, and chairman, Public Works Committee; lifelong borough resident; member of Bethlehem Area Public Library Board of Trustees, representing the Borough of Fountain Hill.

**Response:** The future of our borough depends on crucial decisions that will be made by council in the upcoming months. Upgrading the borough's infrastructure, the safety and well-being of our residents and maintaining everything that makes Fountain Hill a wonderful place to live will



be my focus.

**DOUGLAS D. TROTTER JR.**  
No response

**JAMIE JOHNSON**  
No response

**NORMAN E. BLATT JR.**  
nblattlaw.com  
**D.O.B.:** 1954  
**Occupation:** Attorney  
**Education:** J.D., cum laude, Pepperdine University School of Law, 1981; B.A., Elizabethtown College, 1976  
**Qualifications:** I am an incumbent council member with over 20 years of council experience. I have helped develop annual budgets for the borough and am familiar with the borough's finances. I have served on every committee on council, including the personnel committee. I have helped to negotiate collective bargaining agreements for the borough's employees.  
**Response:** The primary issue that faces council is the fact that approximately 40% of our property is exempt from property taxation due to the tax exempt property's nonprofit ownership or status. Council must continue to do more with the resources that are available without diminishing the quality of life for our residents.

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than three

No candidates

## COUNCIL

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**WILL RUFE**  
No response

**FRANCIS J. FERENCIN**  
**D.O.B.:** 1941  
**Occupation:** Retired from Bethlehem Steel Co., 35 years  
**Education:** Bethlehem Catholic High School; Veteran, U.S. Army; Honorable Discharge, 1961-1967.  
**Qualifications:** Former borough councilman, 8 years; former mayor, 1994-1998; plaque awarded for 12 years service to borough; currently filling 1 year vacancy on council seat due to death of another member of Council.  
**Response:** As a former mayor and councilman, I will be a doer and innovator. I will focus particular attention to the number of the youth, the elderly and businesses. We need to be particularly concerned about the elderly of our community. We must create a climate in Fountain Hill that will attract new businesses and help to assure the prosperity and growth of the current businesses.

**Republican**  
Vote for one

No candidates

## MACUNGIE COUNCIL

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**TODD RUTLEDGE**  
**RYAN P. HANOSEK**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than three

**CHRISTOPHER T. BECKER**  
**D.O.B.:** 1958  
**Occupation:** Project manager/estimator/share holder  
**Education:** High school diploma, 8 years in the USMC - Communications. Includes college coursework (2 years), Dale Carnegie - management and public speaking.  
**Qualifications:** Recognized as a leading successful executive, I have been active in all areas of the construction industry such as: Training, safety, development, political, scheduling.  
**Response:** The Borough of Macungie is a wonderful example of a suburban community surrounded by adjacent municipalities with large growth occurring. Macungie struggles to keep its identity and co-exist among this growth. It is important to not allow the outside influences to dominate or change our character. We have a major highway going through it and a railroad that cuts it in half. How do you blend all that together

and allow 20,000 vehicles a day?///

**GREGORY A. HUTCHISON**  
No response

**ANGELA ASHBROOK**  
No response

## SLATINGTON COUNCIL

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than four

**THOMAS BARTHOLOMEW**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than four

**JOSEPH C. WECHSLER**  
**DAVID R. SCHNAARS**  
**KEVIN STECKEL**

## COUNCIL

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**THOMAS BARTHOLOMEW**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**DANIEL L. STEVENS**  
**JOSEPH C. WECHSLER**

## TOWNSHIPS

**Candidates in contested races were asked:** What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

## HANOVER COUNCIL

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**MICHAEL WOOLLEY**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**ROBERT LAWLOR**

## COUNCIL

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

No candidates

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**RICK TOCCI**

## HEIDELBERG SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**LUKE SAVAGE**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**JONATHAN JAKUM**

## LOWER MACUNGIE COMMISSIONER

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

No candidates

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**RON R. BEITLER**  
No response

**BILL ROYER**  
www.transitiongroup.net  
**D.O.B.:** 1941  
**Occupation:** Business and organizational consultant  
**Education:** University of Maryland, B.S. business administration. University of Virginia, Darden School of Business Executive Development: • The Challenge of Transformational Leadership • Creating a High Performance Workplace • Managing Organizational and Individual Change • Managing Critical Resources.

**Qualifications:** Current member LMT Zoning Hearing Board, past chair.  
**Response:** The most challenging issue in the future is preserving and growing the character of Lower Macungie Township without increasing our cost of living. This can only be done by developing and implementing rolling 1, 5, and 10 year capital, strategic, and operational plans. Some of the issues of the future are: smart land use; stormwater management; maintaining and improving our roads, parks, and recreation programs; community security; and community/township services

**MAURY ROBERT**  
**D.O.B.:** 1947  
**Occupation:** Retired in 2009 after 35 years at Air Products in Information Technology  
**Education:** B.S. in management with highest honors - Lehigh University. MBA - Lehigh University  
**Qualifications:** US Navy Vietnam veteran - 4 years. LMT Planning Commission - 33 years. East Penn School Board - 8 years. East Penn Chamber of Commerce Board member - 8 years.  
**Response:** The township should be more structured in decision making. Rather than making decisions on a case by case basis, the township should establish a comprehensive 5 or

10 year financial plan to drive budgetary decisions. In addition more policies should be established to allow more effective management by the township manager. The township should also do a better job maintaining valuable resource like creeks, floodplain and storm water management facilities. I support making these changes.

## LOWER MILFORD SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**

No candidates

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**ELLEN KOPLIN**

## LOWHILL SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**

No candidates

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**GEORGE W. WESSNER JR.**

**LYNN**

## SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**

No candidates

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**STEVE I. FEINOUR**

## NORTH WHITEHALL REFERENDUM

Vote Yes or No

Do you favor the imposition of a tax of one tenth (.1) of one mill on real estate by North Whitehall Township to be used for open space and farmland preservation?

## SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**

No candidates

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**RONALD J. HEINTZELMAN**

## SALISBURY COMMISSIONER

## 1ST WARD

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**

**No candidates**

## COMMISSIONER 3RD WARD

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**DEBRA BRINTON**

## COMMISSIONER 5TH WARD

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**JOANNE ACKERMAN**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

## SOUTH WHITEHALL COMMISSIONER

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**JOE SETTON**

**D.O.B.:** 1951  
**Occupation:** Real estate broker, real estate appraiser, and auctioneer

**Education:** B.A., Leicester University, England  
**Qualifications:** Real estate broker and real estate appraiser, practicing residential and commercial real estate and land development, for over 35 years in the Lehigh Valley, 20 in South Whitehall Township.

**Response:** A resident of South Whitehall Township since 1984, having raised three children who graduated from Parkland High School, I am deeply committed to this community. With my extensive knowledge and experience of real estate and land development, my contribution as a commissioner to South Whitehall Township in this period of rapid growth will be to ensure that developers are responsible and qualified while our township maintains its safety and quality of life.

**KEISHA CHAMPAGNIE**  
No response

**MATTHEW MOBILIO**

mattmobilio.com

**D.O.B.:** 1980

**Occupation:** Attorney

**Education:** Penn State University; Penn State Dickinson School of Law

**Qualifications:** Attorney, small business owner, member of South Whitehall Township Zoning Appeals Board, father of three.

**Response:** Runaway development is clogging our streets, destroying the landscape and burdening our public works systems. As commissioner, I will vote against any project that does not have the full support of the residents of the township, such as the current Ridge Farm project. As commissioner, I will make sure that development projects like Ridge Farm never happen again and I will do that by governing by the principles of humanity, accountability and transparency.

**THOMAS J. JOHNS**

**D.O.B.:** 1955

**Occupation:** Small business owner.

**Education:** Louis E. Dieruff High School, 1974; B.S. Penn State University, 1980.

**Qualifications:** South Whitehall commissioner, 8 years, awarded for distinguished service by South Whitehall Board, December 2017.

**Response:** The major issue in South Whitehall Township to be addressed is actually twofold. The initial problem is awareness of township budgetary constraints. I would have a fiscally responsible approach to the budget to preclude the need to raise taxes. The second problem in the township is unfettered growth and development. My approach would include meaningful review of any proposed land development prior to presenting same for approval before any other governmental boards.

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**DIANE KELLY**

votedianekelly.com

**D.O.B.:** 1961

**Occupation:** Retired

**Education:** Graduated Charles E. Shea High School 1979, Rhode Island Honor Society. Retired dental practice manager with 40 years in health care field. Trained in the highest standard of performance and professionalism.

**Qualifications:** Currently serve on the South Whitehall Township Planning Commission. 10 year volunteer with South Whitehall Emergency Preparedness Day.///

**Response:** Growth and taxes are very important issues. I will work for balanced growth by

updating our zoning ordinance to maintain and protect farmland and open space, and work with PennDOT to seek solutions to our congested roads. We must plan for the future and be pro-active. I will protect your tax dollars through strong budget reviews and yearly audits. I am ready to be your voice to build a better South Whitehall for all.

**MICHAEL K. WOLK**

www.votemichaelwolk.com

**D.O.B.:** 1954

**Occupation:** 39 years, senior project manager, global product manager and engineering manager, Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. (1975-2014), retired in 2014.

**Education:** B.E. in Chemical Engineering, Stevens Institute of Technology, 1975; M.S. in Chemical Engineering, Lehigh University, 1980; MBA, Lehigh University, 1988.

**Qualifications:** Community leader and citizen advocate who co-founded South Whitehall Concerned Citizens.///

**Response:** Our township is experiencing unprecedented, expansive, growth. I will balance residential and commercial development with preservation of parks, woodlands, farmland and natural resources. I will prevent overdevelopment and overcrowding and limit the impact of new large warehouses. I will work to update the township comprehensive plan and zoning ordinance to restore moderate growth that is acceptable to residents. I will also exercise strong cost control and eliminate unnecessary spending to ease the taxpayers' financial burden.

**TOM UTSCH**

www.eeminder.com/marketing/about\_us.php

**D.O.B.:** 1964

**Occupation:** Software business owner

**Education:** B.S. and M.S., magna cum laude, mechanical engineering, Lehigh University  
**Qualifications:** 53 years in South Whitehall Township. Software company founder/owner since 1997. Former captain USAF and veteran Operation Desert Storm. Parkland High School Class of '82. Eagle Scout. Pilot.

**Response:** We need leaders who are ready to go to the mat to stop more large development and government spending excess in order to preserve the quality of life in South Whitehall. I pledge to resist new large development projects with every legal means available and to contain spending to avoid tax increases. We are fortunate to have the opportunity to elect three new commissioners out of five in 2019.///

**VINCENT J. QUINN**

No response

**MATT MULQUEEN**

**D.O.B.:** 1962

**Occupation:** Sales management, retired military officer

**Education:** B.A., DeSales University, M.A., University of Oklahoma.

**Qualifications:** Lifelong township resident with worldwide life experience as a military and business leader. 12 years of township experience as a commissioner and as a Zoning Board member.

**Response:** Continue to balance growth with maintaining excellent municipal services. Support world class fire, police, EMS, and public works. Work closely with PennDOT and other state agencies to provide for adequate transportation infrastructure. Remain a good steward of our residents' money. Aggressively seek grants to fund open space initiatives including the Jordan Creek Greenway Project and our numerous parks. Protect our heritage including the rebuilding of Wehr's Dam and the King George Inn.

## UPPER MACUNGIE SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**JIM BRUNELL**

## UPPER MILFORD SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

## UPPER SAUCON SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**JOHN G. INGLIS III**

**D.O.B.:** 1965

**Occupation:** Owner, Freedom Lawn Care & Landscaping

**Education:** B.A. economics/business management - Moravian College

an College

**Qualifications:** Local small business owner for 32 years. Upper Saucon Township resident for 17 years. Vice chairman of UST Parks & Recreation Commission for 10 years. UST Open Space Study Committee. **Response:** Responsible residential and commercial development that does not overly burden the Southern Lehigh School District and UST with excessive taxes while preserving open space. I would address this issue by continuing to tweak the overall township zoning map and using overlay districts to facilitate certain types of development that benefit the community. I would also like to promote open space preservation with a funding solution that is open and transparent and funded by all.

**PHILIP SPAETH**

**D.O.B.:** 1949

**Occupation:** Retired from 35-year career at Air Products

**Education:** MBA, SUNY at Buffalo; B.S.Ch.E, Ohio University

**Qualifications:** Upper Saucon resident for 42 years with 26 years of government service.

**Response:** It's critical that we reduce traffic congestion and update our recreation and open space plan. The Community Park should be expanded to include a sustainable nature area and dog park and we need to break ground at the Hopewell site for additional recreation fields. The President Pump House along with its beautiful surroundings must be preserved and converted into a heritage park. The land around Tumblebrook can be integrated into our park and trail system along with several smaller parcels that can become neighborhood parks. Special emphasis to acquire and preserve land is needed before it's all gone.

## SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**KIMBERLY L. STEHLIK**

No response

**JOHN G. INGLIS III**

**D.O.B.:** 1965

**Occupation:** Owner, Freedom Lawn Care & Landscaping

**Education:** B.A. economics/business management - Moravian College

**Qualifications:** Local small business owner for 32 years. Upper Saucon Township resident for 17 years. Vice chairman of UST Parks & Recreation



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## WASHINGTON SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**JOSH B. FRIEBOLIN**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

## WEISENBERG SUPERVISOR

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**RICHARD BLEILER**

## WHITEHALL MAYOR

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**MICHAEL P. HAKAKAL JR.**  
michaelpharakaljr4mayor.com

**D.O.B.:** 1949  
**Occupation:** Mayor of Whitehall Township  
**Education:** Whitehall H.S., Muhlenberg College  
**Qualifications:** Lifelong Whitehall resident, Whitehall High School class president, Whitehall Executive (Mayor) from 1984 to 1992 and 2018 to 2019, supervised approved plan to develop the new Public Safety Building, Lehigh Valley Dairy Agreement of Sale, initiated first curbside recycling program in PA, bought IRT.///  
**Response:** Maintaining Whitehall as the Keystone of the Lehigh Valley. Our retail center is healthy, but we need to adapt to new opportunities and a diverse economy to provide more jobs. The redevelopment of the Lehigh Valley Dairy has begun, and a renaissance will evolve in our southern corridor. It is important that we provide a strong police presence, improve our streets program, recreation areas and expand our Senior

Lifestyle Center to other playground locations.

**JOSEPH J. MARX JR.**  
[www.facebook.com/JosephJ.MarxJrforMayor](http://www.facebook.com/JosephJ.MarxJrforMayor)  
**D.O.B.:** 1965  
**Occupation:** Self-employed business owner, successfully starting and operating a property management and maintenance company for the past 20 years.  
**Education:** William Allen High School, U.S. Marine Corps Aviation - Honorable Discharge  
**Qualifications:** Whitehall Township commissioner (2016-present), board member Coplay-Whitehall Sewer Authority (2009-present), Whitehall Township Planning Commission (2005-2009).  
**Response:** I am a major advocate of the construction of a new Public Safety Building, the consolidation of the Municipal Complex, and the reorganization of the Municipal Building. Our current police facilities are

inadequate, outdated, and a new Public Safety Building is critical and vital for our men and women in uniform for their mission to protect and serve. I believe this will be cost-effective and provide greater accessibility for the citizens of Whitehall.

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

## COMMISSIONER

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than four

**PHILIP GINDER**  
**CHARLES G. FISHER**  
**JEFFREY J. WARREN**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than four

**No candidates**

## SCHOOL DISTRICTS

### SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Candidates for school directors may cross file to be on the ballots of both the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. They are listed below according to the Democratic ballot order. Cross-filed candidates are listed first, followed by those who are on the ballot of only one party.

**Candidates in contested races were asked:** What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

### ALLENTOWN

City of Allentown except parts of Wards 17 and 18  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than five

**NICHOLAS P. MILLER**  
[www.facebook.com/Nick-Miller-for-Allentown-School-Board-Director-252759922273749/](http://www.facebook.com/Nick-Miller-for-Allentown-School-Board-Director-252759922273749/)  
**D.O.B.:** 1994  
**Occupation:** Project manager  
**Education:** B.S. in finance, Penn State University  
**Qualifications:** Finance professional.  
**Response:** Allentown's students are our biggest asset and our city's future. We must do better to ensure they have the resources they need to succeed in post-graduation life, whether their path be college, trade schools, the military, or the workforce. I am committed to being an advocate for those resources.

**LINDA VEGA**  
[www.facebook.com/Linda-Vega-for-Allentown-School-Board-Director-373761340063457/](http://www.facebook.com/Linda-Vega-for-Allentown-School-Board-Director-373761340063457/)  
**D.O.B.:** 1978  
**Occupation:** Regional manager

**Education:** Associates Degree from Allentown Business School  
**Qualifications:** Youth advocate and educator for over 15 years. Founder and curriculum writer of a 501c3 organization dedicated to teach our youth healing through self expression via the arts. Fiscally responsible for HR department multi-million dollar budget. Board member of SHE and Allentown Citywide Initiative for Youth which objectives are to connect young people towards resources.///  
**Response:** Our major issues are the annual failing curriculum audit, low curriculum delivery and the 65% graduation rate which is unacceptable. As a board member, I will have access to the school district budget and adhere to the best practices of education instead of the continuance funding of approving programs that are not contributing toward the education fulfillment of our mission statement.

**AUDREY MATHISON**  
**D.O.B.:** 1944  
**Occupation:** Retired teacher  
**Education:** B.A. Grove City College - English. M.Ed. Lehigh University - Education. Indiana U., Bloomington: Masters work in journalism  
**Qualifications:** I was a high school English teacher for my entire career so I understand education issues.  
**Response:** Nothing is more important than Allentown's children and its schools. Re-elect me so that we can continue to move the district forward by emphasizing equity for all, an updated curriculum, community involvement and financial responsibility. Together we can create a culture that nurtures and values everyone. Our public schools are the foundation of democracy — let's give every student the skills to be college, career and life ready.

**NANCY WILT**  
**D.O.B.:** 1967  
**Occupation:** Chief of staff  
**Education:** Graduate of Emmaus High School, 1985. Attended Cedar Crest College, 1986-1990  
**Qualifications:** Mom in the district for 13 years. Active in parent teacher organizations. Served on ASD Parent Advisory Council, safety committees and the Equity Advisory Committee. Currently Secretary of ASD Foundation. I understand both advocacy and governance.  
**Response:** The most important issue is providing a quality equitable valued education for all students, not dictated by zip code. I want to help shape policies that assist our ESOL population to succeed. Build relationships with community leaders, businesses and the building trades to provide opportunities for our students to experience the arts, and to be either college ready or career ready. Our students are full of promise. I will advocate for their success.

**YULLIANNA LUGO**  
No response

**CHARLIE THIEL**  
[www.facebook.com/ThielforASDBoard](http://www.facebook.com/ThielforASDBoard)  
**D.O.B.:** 1966  
**Occupation:** Consultant — business and security  
**Education:** B.S. University of Valley Forge, 1989.  
**Qualifications:** Allentown School Board, 2013-present. Ripple Community Inc. board president, 2018-present. Allentown Chamber of Commerce board, 2010-present. Allentown School District Foundation, 2010-present. Holding various roles in social work, church work, community, business, security.///  
**Response:** The Allentown School District is in the midst of a turnaround. The Strategic Framework is a clear roadmap in executing and fulfilling the

responsibility of graduating our students college and career ready. Visit [www.allentownsd.org](http://www.allentownsd.org) and see the Framework, Financial Analysis (PFM), Curriculum Audit, and other documents that the ASD Board, and Superintendent Parker, commissioned to provide transparency. This continued work of governance by the board is critical in leading ASD forward in sustainable success.

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than five

**NANCY WILT**  
See above

**ROBERT E. SMITH JR.**  
**D.O.B.:** 1961  
**Occupation:** Mentor and activity coordinator  
**Education:** Grover Cleveland High School. Middlesex County College. NYU, studied political science, law, theater.  
**Qualifications:** Elected to four terms on school board, elected five times president of board. LCTI Joc member 15 years, past president. Finance co-chair, building co-chair, legislative committee, athletic committee, recreation commission, PSBA representative for 15 plus years.  
**Response:** Bullying, mental illness, high suicide rate, oxycodone drug addiction. We need to reach our students before drugs and gangs do. Life skills, offering support to students, spending money that helps students, not make consultants richer. We spend millions on consultants, we do not need a tax increase. I pledge a no tax increase this year because home owners are just making it every week. Our seniors deserve to keep their homes, Voice for the people.

**NICHOLAS P. MILLER**  
See above



## BETHLEHEM SCHOOL DISTRICT

See Northampton County portion of this guide

## CATASAUQUA AREA

Catasauqua Borough and Hanover Township, Lehigh County; North Catasauqua Borough, Northampton County

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**DUANE DEITRICH**  
**CAROL A. CUNNINGHAM**  
**LAUREN CIESLAK**  
**DONALD J. PANTO II**

## SCHOOL DIRECTOR

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

## EAST PENN

Alburtis, Emmaus, and Macungie Boroughs and Lower Macungie and Upper Milford Townships

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**JEFFREY R. JANKOWSKI**  
No response

**JOSHUA LEVINSON**  
www.levinsonforeastpenn.org  
**D.O.B.:** 1970  
**Occupation:** Chemical engineer  
**Education:** M.S./Ph.D., chemical engineering, Stanford University, 1995/1999; B.S./M.S., chemical engineering, MIT, 1993/1994.

**Qualifications:** EPSD parent (two children); EPSD board member (appointed 2018); EPSD Education Foundation board member (since 2017); over 18 years professional and managerial experience in both industry and academia; lifelong participant and adult volunteer in Boy Scouting.

**Response:** To maximize the benefits of our public school system, school boards are obligated to advocate for high quality and diverse educational opportunities for all students while also being efficient and fiscally responsible in the use of taxpayer-provided resources. Districts must apply good governance to find solutions for obtaining necessary classroom resources through both fair and thoughtful financial and program-based solutions, while also ensuring a positive district climate among the students, staff, and surrounding community.

**KEN BACHER**  
No response

**DIANE L. SCHAFFER**  
**D.O.B.:** 1942  
**Occupation:** Retired.  
**Education:** High school diploma, Slatington High School. Studied, Ca-

tawba College, Salisbury N.C.

**Qualifications:** Pleasant Valley School District: member, vice president, president: 1980-1992. Monroe Career and Technical Institute: member, secretary, president: 1982-1992. Bethany Children's Home, Womelsdorf: member, secretary: 1978-2010. Former school bus driver, child care, foster children, exchange student host and area representative.

**Response:** That East Penn School District provide quality education and activities for all students, that teachers and staff have at their disposal resources to cultivate a positive environment for students, and that the district use tax payer dollars as efficiently as possible.

**PAUL CHAMPAGNE**

champagne4epsd.com

**D.O.B.:** 1958

**Occupation:** Power industry consultant

**Education:** B.S. chemical engineering, University of Illinois

**Qualifications:** Former PPL executive with over 30 years of business and management experience.

**Response:** Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve on the EPSD Board for the last four years. I am running for re-election because it is important that the EPSD continue with its commitment to excellence in public education. Success can best be assured by board members who can appropriately balance the needs of our schools with fiscal responsibility to the taxpayers. My track record has shown that it is possible to achieve these goals.

**BART BAILEY**

No response

**ALLAN BYRD**

**D.O.B.:** 1950

**Occupation:** Retired

**Education:** B.S. business administration - North Carolina A&T State University

**Qualifications:** Director East Penn School Board. 40 years of management experience. Managed engineers at a global aluminum corporation. Directed employees in high volume manufacturing plants. Developed and wrote work standards for an automaker. Excellent verbal and written communication skills.///

**Response:** I am a product of public education. There are many who advocate school choice. Charter schools are described as a better education choice. The number of students served is limited and academic results are mixed. They are a financial burden on the school district. I will challenge the formula used to determine payments to charter schools. I will work to insure and improve the quality of education in the district. East Penn is the best choice.

**Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**DAVID BOCCHINO**

**D.O.B.:** 1964

**Occupation:** Legal

**Education:** University of Baltimore School of Law, JD, cum laude, 1997.

Towson State University (now Towson University), BS, cum laude, 1992.

**Qualifications:** My main qualification is that I want to continue to have a high quality of life in the borough. I have practical experience working with budgets during my employment with the state of Maryland, and I am currently an alternate on the Borough of Emmaus Zoning Appeals Hearing Board.

**Response:** I want to maintain our high quality of life in the borough. I will address it by listening to all sides of issues, by addressing public work needs, by keeping our borough government operating efficiently, by being open and accessible, by assessing spending, by addressing quality of life and zoning issues, and by avoiding tax increases.

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**NAOMI WINCH**

## NORTHERN LEHIGH

Slatington Borough and Washington Township, Lehigh County; Walnutport Borough, Northampton County

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**ROBIN T. DISTLER**  
**MATHIAS MATT GREEN**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**DONNA KULP**  
**GALE N. HUSACK**  
**ROBERT KERN**

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**MICHELE MARTINEAU**

## NORTHWESTERN LEHIGH

Heidelberg, Lowhill, Lynn and Weisenberg townships

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**JOHN CASCIANO**  
**JOSEPH FATZINGER**  
**WILLARD DELICKER**  
**TODD LEISER**

## PARKLAND

North Whitehall, South Whitehall and Upper Macungie Townships, and part of Allentown 17th Ward, 4th District and 18th Ward, 2nd District

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**JAY ROHATGI**  
jayforparkland.com  
**D.O.B.:** 1975  
**Occupation:** Director, health care and

life sciences

**Education:** Graduate degree in computer science; undergraduate degree in computer science and math

**Qualifications:** Jay Rohatgi is a successful business leader and a positive change agent in his professional life. As a strategy professional, he advocates appropriate technology use to solve complex business problems in his work life.///

**Response:** Distribute district's resources fairly to ensure that our academic and athletic stars both get an equal share. Facilitate alumni and business leader mentorships to provide our students real life experiences. Keep property taxes in check and achieve better fiscal responsibility through increasing technology use. Solve the rampant vaping/juuling crisis by working with our administrators and teachers. Improve safety in our schools by investing in law enforcement and mental health professionals.

**CAROL L. FACCHIANO**

**D.O.B.:** 1964

**Occupation:** Parkland Aquatic Club office administrator

**Education:** Graduate of William Allen High School, 1982; Bloomsburg University, B.S. Business Administration - Accounting, 1986

**Qualifications:** Parkland School District School Board director (3 years), Academic, Arts & Athletics Committee, Personnel & Finance Committee, Parkland Education Foundation Board representative, Parkland Education Foundation Gala Committee. ///

**Response:** The Parkland School District needs to provide a comprehensive education abound with opportunities for students and community members alike. The district's decision to open Veterans Memorial Elementary School in fall 2020 reflects its dedication to serving the needs of our growing community. Every step of this process, from construction to staffing, has involved financially sustainable approaches to ensure we provide educational experiences that students and taxpayers can benefit from and support with pride.

**MARISA ZIEGLER**

facebook.com/ZieglerforParkland

**D.O.B.:** 1983

**Occupation:** Public school teacher

**Education:** Bachelor's degree in elementary and early childhood education, Temple University, Summa Cum Laude, 2006 - Master's degree in education with reading specialist certification, Kutztown University, 2011

**Qualifications:** Public School educator for 12 years, PSEA/NEA Union member, Student Assistance Program (SAP) team member, parent of two children in Parkland SD.

**Response:** Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) impact the development of a young child's body and brain. In order for students to reach academic success and become kind and productive citizens, we must invest in wellness professionals who address trauma and mental health issues. In relation to this, it is essential that we begin to develop restorative practices in our schools in order to shift the focus from punishment to healing and responsibility.

**DAVID M. KENNEDY**

**D.O.B.:** 1951

**Occupation:** Retired

**Education:** Villanova University, Bachelor of Science in marketing.  
**Qualifications:** School board - 22 years, immediate past president. LCTI Board member - 22 years, eight terms as president. Chair, Building & Grounds Committee, past chair of Academics, Arts & Athletics and Personnel & Finance. South Whitehall Township Public Safety Committee for 24 years, currently vice chair.

**Response:** Unfunded state and federal mandates continue to drive the cost of education higher each year. Additional state funding is critical to minimize the tax burden on our stakeholders. By continuing to work with legislators, my goal is to obtain fair and equitable resources for the Parkland School District.

**PATRICK H. FOOSE**

fooseforparklandschoolboard.com

**D.O.B.:** 1991

**Occupation:** Direct support professional

**Education:** I have my B.A. in English and political science from Moravian College. I am working toward earning my MEd in secondary English and

social studies.

**Qualifications:** I have advocated 10-plus years about my experiences in the public school system as an individual with high functioning Asperger's Syndrome.///

**Response:** It is essential to support the investment of programs that promote the health and development of the whole child. The arts, sports, foreign language, finance, life and technical skills are vital in providing a well-rounded education. In turn, this will enhance a student's ability to understand culture, diversity, and learn 21st century skills. In an age where mental illness has come front and center, it is paramount that the district hire the required staff.///

**LISA ROTH**

**D.O.B.:** 1963

**Occupation:** Air Products - Cust Support Specialist

**Education:** Allentown Business College, 1981-83. DeSales University, 1990-92. PSBA seminars, panels and online training. Parkland Learning Academy classes.

**Qualifications:** Parkland resident for 27 years and school board director for past 10 years. Have been involved in the school district (PTOs, Comprehen-

sive Planning, Community Advisory Council. SPYA and Parkland library volunteer) for 25 years.

**Response:** Always concerns about taxes and whether any programs within the district might need to be scaled back or cut. Thanks to PSD's administration, oversight of our business office, district's financial advisors, and board directors who are committed to overseeing all this, Parkland continues to have lowest millage rate in Lehigh Valley, have not gone over Act 1 index, nor have had any cuts in curriculum or property values.///

**SALISBURY**

**Salisbury Township**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**COURTNEY WEIBEL GIBBS**

**CAROL A. KLINGER**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**SAMUEL P. DEFRANK**

**SUSAN M. LEA**

**SOUTHERN LEHIGH**

Coopersburg Borough and Lower Milford and Upper Saucon townships

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**EMILY GEHMAN**  
**KYLE GANGEWERE**  
**WILLIAM LYCETT**  
**PRIYA SAREEN**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**JEFFREY DIMMIG**

**WHITEHALL/COPLAY**

Coplay Borough and Whitehall Township

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**BILL LEINER JR.**  
**GEORGE MAKHOUL**  
**NICHOLE HARTMAN**  
**TINA JO KOREN**  
**PATTY D. GAUGLER**

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

**JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS**

Except where an exclusive original jurisdiction is vested in another court, the Courts of Common Pleas have unlimited original jurisdiction of all civil and criminal actions and proceedings.

**Term:** 10 years

**Salary:** \$183,184

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**John M. Morganello**

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**NURIA DILUZIO**

diluzioforda.com

Bethlehem Township

**D.O.B.:** 1967

**Education:** Ramapo High School, N.J. 1985; B.A. Rutgers University, Douglass College 1989; J.D. Temple University School of Law 1997.

**Occupation:** Attorney; appointed Northampton County Chief Public Defender January 2018.

**Qualifications:** Attorney handling criminal and civil trials for over 20 years. First woman Chief Public Defender managing 21 attorneys and staff.

**Response:** This campaign is about moving forward with justice reform, including restorative justice practices and keeping and expanding diver-

sionary programs. I began my career as a full-time public defender, representing indigent clients through 2009. I've seen firsthand the collateral consequences of incarceration. While everyone can agree that the worst, most violent offenders deserve the harshest punishment, resources should be devoted to addressing the opioid and mental health crisis and veterans' mentoring programs.

**TERRY HOUCK**

Forks Township

TerryHouckforDA.com

**D.O.B.:** 1956

**Education:** B.A. LaSalle 1980; M.S. Villanova 1982; J.D. Temple 1986

**Occupation:** First Deputy District Attorney, NORCO

**Qualifications:** Police officer 9-plus years; numerous awards for merit and bravery; chief prosecutor 32 years handling child abuse, violent crime and homicides; victims advocate awards received in Bucks County and Lehigh Valley; supervises staff of 20 attorneys, 7 county detectives and support staff.

**Response:** Keeping NORCO safe. I will continue to concentrate on attacking violent crime and gang violence. I will maintain an active caseload and lead by example. I have prosecuted every major crime from child abuse, domestic violence and murder. Our office also expanded our diversionary programs to include non-violent felonies, thereby giving people a second chance. We have also instituted a Mental Health Court which permits offenders to be placed in treatment programs instead of incarceration.

**Republican**

Vote for one

**TOM CARROLL**

**COUNTY CONTROLLER**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**TONY E. BASSIL**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**HAYDEN PHILLIPS**

**COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**DISTRICT I**

City of Bethlehem, Hanover Township and Hellertown Borough.

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**KEVIN LOTT**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**DISTRICT II**

City of Easton, Boroughs of Glendon, Stockertown, Tatamy, West Easton and Wilson, Townships of Forks, Palmer and Williams.

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**KERRY MYERS**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**ANDREW OLIVEIRA**

**DISTRICT III**

Boroughs of Bath, Freemansburg, Nazareth, Northampton and North Catasauqua; Townships of Allen, East Allen, Lower Nazareth and Lower Saucon.

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**LUKE VERDES**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**JOHN CUSICK**

**DISTRICT IV**

Boroughs of Bangor, Chapman, East Bangor, Pen Argyl, Portland, Roseto, Walnutport and Wind Gap; Townships of Bushkill, Lehigh, Lower Mount Bethel, Plainfield, Upper Mount Bethel, Upper Nazareth and Washington.

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**DAN ENGLE**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**TOM GIOVANNI**



# MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

**Term:** 6 years  
**Salary:** \$91,597

## DISTRICT 03-2-05

City of Easton Wards 2, 3, 4, and 5.

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**ROBERT WEBER**

## DISTRICT 03-2-06

City of Easton Wards 6, 9, 10, 11 and 12; Glendon Borough; and Williams Township.

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**DANIEL G. CORPORA**

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**NADEEM QAYYUM**

## DISTRICT 03-2-08

Boroughs of Nazareth and Stockertown; Townships of Lower Nazareth and Upper Nazareth.

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**JOHN C. CAPOBIANCO**

## CITIES

### BETHLEHEM COUNCIL-AT-LARGE

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**PAIGE VAN WIRT**

www.drpaigeforcouncil.com

**D.O.B.:** 1967

**Education:** Savannah Country Day School, 1985; Cornell University, B.A., Government, 1989; NYU Wagner School of Public Service, Master of Urban Planning, 1997; Georgetown U. School of Medicine, Medical Doctor, 2001

**Occupation:** Physician, founding partner, Rosenfeld Van Wirt PC Medical practice, caring for patients in nursing homes.

**Qualifications:** Small business owner, previous city planner, previous municipal bond analyst. Ran write-in campaign for City Council in 2017, earning over 1700 write-in votes.

**Response:** Accountability. A healthy city council is a diverse city council, one that understands the primary role of council is to represent the citizens, and when voting, ensures that the power of the mayor is balanced by the power of city council. The citizens deserve an independent, free-thinking voice on council, with allegiance only to the citizens of Bethlehem. I will be that voice. Semper Pro Populus: Always for the People.

**CAROL RITTER**

**D.O.B.:** 1951

**Education:** Graduate Liberty High School, nonprofit courses, Moravian College

**Occupation:** Co-founder of Car-oltalks.com — small business consultant, fundraising specialist, motivational speaker, social media expert

**Qualifications:** President Pennsylvania PTA; 2 years, board chairman St. Luke's Hospital VNA & Hospice; 2 years, president National Speakers Association Philadelphia; one year, alternate Bethlehem Zoning Board; school director, 4 years.

**Response:** The major issue in this campaign is advancing quality of life in Bethlehem. I will pay attention to public safety, safe neighborhoods and a clean environment. Part of increasing the quality of life is to support common sense development, an essential element to the success of our city. The strength of our downtowns are in its small businesses. I will work toward supporting our small businesses and creating the right environment for them to thrive.

**DAVID SALTZER**

www.facebook.com/davidsaltzerfor-cob.com

**D.O.B.:** 1975

**Education:** Saucon Valley High School; Allentown Fire Academy

**Occupation:** 911 dispatcher/acting supervisor Lehigh County

**Qualifications:** My experience as a city firefighter, 911 dispatcher and union president allows me to use my years of experience interacting with all aspect of city government, negotiating contracts, language, speaking on issues and sitting on committees.

**Response:** My first and foremost goal as a council member will be to make Bethlehem a safer city for our residents, visitors, and employees. As a retired Bethlehem firefighter I feel that we need to do everything in our power to make sure everyone is safe and goes home at the end of the day. I'd like to explore an apprenticeship program and bring a joint training facility to the city for all employees.

**J. WILLIAM REYNOLDS**

www.jwilliamreynolds.org

**D.O.B.:** 1981

**Education:** Liberty High School, 1999; Moravian College, 2003

**Occupation:** Teacher, Allentown School District; Bethlehem city councilman (President 2014-2017)

**Qualifications:** Moravian College Alumni Association president (2018-present); Bethlehem Area Public Library (2008-2014) Board of Directors; Five Star Heart Project board of directors; Gov. Wolf Transition Team; Chairman City Council Environment Committee.

**Response:** Bethlehem must maintain our high quality of life as well as become a more progressive city. My work on City Council has focused on our Climate Action Plan, neighborhood investment (NorthSide 2027), job creation, basic city services, and fiscal responsibility. If re-elected, I will continue to support the priorities of our citizens as well as find local solutions to problems that our federal and state governments are unable or unwilling to solve.

**MICHAEL G. COLON**

**D.O.B.:** 1986

**Education:** Graduate of Liberty High School '04; Penn State University, B.A. Political Science '08

**Occupation:** Admissions coordinator at Gracedale Nursing Home, city councilman

**Qualifications:** City councilman since 2016; graduate of Bethlehem Citizens' Academy

**Response:** A major issue facing not only Bethlehem but also our region and country is the rising rate of opioid overdoses and deaths. This problem impacts the safety, health, and quality

of life of our community. Bethlehem has already implemented programs including BPAIR (Bethlehem Police Assisting in Recovery), community drop boxes to safely dispose of unused prescriptions from homes, and the use of Naloxone by first responders. I will continue to support programs and community efforts to quell the spread of this problem.

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**GRACE CRAMPSIE SMITH**

**D.O.B.:** 1962

**Education:** Lehigh University Master of Ed. School Counseling certification; Bloomsburg University B.A Sociology

**Occupation:** School counselor, Easton Area High School

**Qualifications:** College Instructor — ADA and IDEA Legislation; Bethlehem Citizens Police Academy graduate; addictions counselor; mental health/developmental disabilities services coordinator. Expertise: budget management, legislative compliance, policy development, personnel management, negotiations. crisis management

**Response:** Economic development must be congruent with the best interests of the community. There is a disparity between the development of luxury versus affordable residential units. Recent initiatives such as the partnership between the Community Action Development Corporation of Bethlehem and the City of Bethlehem to rehabilitate homes on the South Side is promising and needs to be expanded upon. To address this issue, I would develop a task force of public and private entities.

**WILL CARPENTER**

**D.O.B.:** 1968

**Education:** B.S. Cornell, 1990, Applied Economics and Business Management.

**Occupation:** Software Sales, SRC Solutions, Inc.

**Qualifications:** Twenty years experience working with municipalities and developers. For both large and small scale projects, I have experienced how strong cities operate to get the most for citizens. Solid business experience with budgets, project management and operational oversight. I believe in sustainable practices and have never worked for a developer.

**Response:** Protect and value our history as we thoughtfully prepare for our future. Bethlehem is in a great place. People want to live here, businesses want to operate here. Responsible

growth will position us for the changing economy and good jobs. Our first responsibility is to our current residents. Use this opportunity to improve public works, public safety, affordable housing and the many challenges of homelessness. Keep Bethlehem a great place to live, learn and work.

**ASHLEY DAUBERT**

No response

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

## EASTON

### MAYOR

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**SAL PANTO**

**D.O.B.:** 1951

**Education:** Notre Dame High School, 1969; Kutztown State University, B.S. Education, 1973; Lehigh University, M.Ed. Administration, 1980; honorary doctorate from Lafayette College, 2010.

**Occupation:** Mayor City of Easton

**Qualifications:** Mayor 1984-1992; current mayor 2008-present; Fire Civil Service Board, City of Easton, 1980-1984.

**Response:** No one can doubt the renaissance taking place in Easton. But there is more to do. I want Easton to continue being an inclusive and diverse city and increase our higher quality of life. JFK said it best "a rising tide lifts all boats." That means we need to use our economic recovery to benefit all people. We will work with our Redevelopment Authority and Housing Authority to make affordable housing programs a priority.

**TAIBA SULTANA**

No response

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

## COUNCIL-AT-LARGE

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**KENNETH BROWN**

**DAVID O'CONNELL**

**PETER MELON**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**TOWNSHIPS**

**Candidates were asked:**  
What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

**ALLEN SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**DALE N. HASSLER**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**No candidates**

**BETHLEHEM****COMMISSIONER-AT-LARGE**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**MALISSA DAVIS**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**WARD 1**

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**KRISTINE BLAKE**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**WAYNE MILLER**

**WARD 3**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**JOHN GALLAGHER**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**BUSHKILL SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**MICHAEL LUTZ**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**HARRISON KLINE JR.**  
**JASON SMITH**

**EAST ALLEN SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**MARK H. SCHWARTZ**  
**CHRISTOPHER CRUZ**

**FORKS SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**KELLY KEEGAN**  
**JAMES SCOTT FULLER**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**RICHARD R. SIEGFRIED**  
**D.O.B.:** 1956  
**Education:** Graduate Easton High School 1974; Cedar Crest College 1996.  
**Occupation:** Retired  
**Qualifications:** School board, 8 years; credit union board, 13 years; Family Connection of Easton Board, 7 years.; Arndt Cemetery Board, 4 years; Crayola LLC employee, 42 years; Crayola LLC – Procurement & Customer Service, corporate historian.  
**Response:** The board of supervisors do not address issues promptly. Two curative amendments have been filed against the township because the township did not allow any apartments in their zoning regulations. The supervisors were aware of this and failed to address this until the first curative amendment as filed with the second one following shortly thereafter. I will ensure all issues are addressed promptly, to alleviate any further legal actions can be taken against the township.

**BRIAN J. FREY**  
No response

**TIM HUGHES**  
**D.O.B.:** 1960  
**Education:** Sewanhama High School, Floral Park, N.Y. 1978; Adelphi University, Garden City, N.Y. 1982.  
**Occupation:** Domain manager – business systems analyst; third party administrator life & annuity insurance.  
**Qualifications:** I have lived in Forks Township for 26 years and feel it is time for me to give back to the community. I have over 35 years experience in senior leadership roles

where I have worked very closely with Fortune 100 companies in developing business solutions, providing project management and executing on corporate goals and objectives.

**Response:** Currently, I see the expansion of housing and business development as one of the biggest challenges facing the township. While progress cannot always be stopped, I believe you can pause and reevaluate the comprehensive plan for the township to ensure it meets the needs of its current and future residents. I would work with the supervisors to ensure we have all the facts, which includes legal obligations, to determine the best for our residents.

**HANOVER SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**JEFF WARREN**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**STEPHEN R. SALVESEN**  
**JOHN DIACOIANIS**

**LEHIGH SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**MICHAEL P. MCGONIGLE**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**DAVID L. HESS**  
**D.O.B.:** 1968  
**Education:** Graduate of Northampton High School  
**Occupation:** Concrete contractor  
**Qualifications:** Not listed  
**Response:** I was born and raised in Lehigh Township. Member of Salem United Church; board officer of Blue Mountain Fishing Game Association; sponsor of Lehigh Township Fire Company & Lehigh Township Historical Society. Member of the American Legion. If elected and you put your trust in me, I will make it my pledge to stand up for responsible spending and what is in the best interest of the residence.

**GERALD L. PRITCHARD**  
No response

**DARRYL SNOVER**  
No response

**LOWER MOUNT BETHEL SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**JOHN MAUSER**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**JACQUELINE LMBERTON**  
No response

**DAVID ASCANI**  
No response

**SUSAN DISIDORE**  
**D.O.B.:** 1964  
**Education:** Graduate Bangor High School 1982; BA Marquette University 1986  
**Occupation:** Associate director, Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, Lehigh University  
**Qualifications:** U.S. Navy officer, 7 years; LMBT: EAC – 2 years, planning commission – 3 years, township supervisor – 12 years; extensive leadership, financial, budgetary expertise; lifelong LMBT resident.  
**Response:** Preserving the beautiful rural character and quality of life in Lower Mount Bethel Township without undue tax burden is the most important issue for residents. Building on demonstrated successes in this are over the last 12 years, I will continue to advocate for farmland and open space preservation through partnerships and grant programs. I will promote community collaborations to expand and improve safety programs, recreation opportunities, and township-wide events. Transparency and listening to residents are key.

**LOWER NAZARETH SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**ROBERT HOYER**  
**D.O.B.:** 1951  
**Education:** B.A. Temple University  
**Occupation:** Self employed – partner Buzas Greenhouse & Farm  
**Qualifications:** Township supervisors, township resident 44 years, township business owner, Lower Naz. Lions Club member  
**Response:** Lower Nazareth is undergoing development pressure especially from the warehouse sector. We need to address the increase traffic

they generate. We also need to support and encourage open space preservation. I currently am chairman of the open space program and support the 25% increase in the E.I.T. to achieve this.

**STEVE BROWN**  
www.facebook.com/brownfor-supervisor  
**D.O.B.:** 1985  
**Education:** Graduate, Nazareth Area High School; B.S. Secondary Education/Social Studies - Penn State, University Park; M.Ed. Instructional Media - Wilkes University  
**Occupation:** Government, economics, and history teacher - Whitehall High School  
**Qualifications:** Long-term vested interest in the community; born/raised in Lower Nazareth and understand how our needs are changing to meet future demands.  
**Response:** The major issue in this campaign is how Lower Nazareth will manage future growth. Competing pressures from warehouse expansion, needed park/green space, and infrastructure improvements need to be balanced to continue to improve on our township's position as a destination for families. With my own children in mind, I would work to limit warehouse expansion and seek out grants/funding to expand recreation facilities/opportunities and infrastructure projects within our township.

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**BERT R. SMALLEY**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**ROBERT HOYER**  
**STEVE BROWN**

See 6 year term

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**BERT R. SMALLEY**

**LOWER SAUCON COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**PRISCILLA deLEON**  
**SARAH STANLICK**  
**GEORGE J. GRESS**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than three



**JASON BANONIS**  
**DONNA LOUDER**  
**SANDRA YERGER**

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**KAITLYN O'CONNOR SOMMER**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**DONNA LOUDER**  
**D.O.B.:** 1959  
**Education:** Saucon Valley High School 1977; Northampton Community College AAS; Scott White Real Estate  
**Occupation:** Healthcare professional  
**Qualifications:** Currently hold position on council, seeking second term.  
**Response:** Revitalization of the township's business district. Drawing new business to the township is and has been an expressed concern to our residents. It is my hope to revisit the issue and possibly create an incentive for established and startup businesses to consider Lower Saucon as a place to expand or create their

endeavors. Also I would welcome input from current business owners to assist in improving the process for the new proprietor/proprietess.

**JASON BANONIS**  
No response

**MOORE SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**JOSEPH S. LATTEMANN**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**RANDY C. SILFIES**  
No response

**DAN PIORKOWSKI**  
**D.O.B.:** Not provided  
**Education:** Township supervisor 6 years  
**Occupation:** Retired  
**Qualifications:** Results oriented management professional, 40 years experience in private sector, diverse background, supervising people, labor relations budgets, facilities, equipment. Proven ability to get results, decrease cost

through process improvements. Chairperson recreation committee 8 years, planning commission 3 years, township supervisors 6 years, chairman 2 years  
**Response:** I believe that all issues that concern residents are critical. Voted against raising taxes, doubled the acres preserved farmland and open space, Eliminated working supervisors, hired professional township manager who obtained \$312,700 in grants to date, improved township meetings no time limits when floor is open. Future: To hire professional public works director to improve infrastructure and storm water management, master road priorities plan.

**PALMER TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**K. MICHAEL MITCHELL**  
**JEFFREY A. YOUNG**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**CHARLES DIFENDERFER**

**PLAINFIELD SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**RANDY J. HEARD**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**UPPER MOUNT BETHEL SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**DAVID F. DUE**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**CHARLES L HENTZ**

**UPPER NAZARETH SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**MICHAEL RINKER**  
**CHARLENE PETROZELLI.**

**WASHINGTON SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**RALPH FALCONE**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**RICHARD D. SMITH**

**WILLIAMS SUPERVISOR**

**Term:** 6 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**RAY ABERT**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

## BOROUGH

**Candidates were asked:**  
What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

**BANGOR COUNCIL AT LARGE**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**ROBERT ENGLE**  
**ROSEMARIE CAPONE**  
**CHAD OLIVER**  
**ELIZABETH SCHAFFER**  
**LORI LYTER-GETZ**  
No responses

**BARRY SCHWEITZER**  
**D.O.B.:** 1946  
**Education:** Graduated Nazareth Area High School 1965, U.S. Army Vietnam Service 1966, 69 – various college courses  
**Occupation:** Retired after 41 years in cement manufacturing  
**Qualifications:** 3 years, 4 months, Bangor Borough Council, 5 years Bangor Borough Authority 3 years as chairman. 28 years in management Buzzi UniCem USA cement mfg.  
**Response:** To take care of day to day business and

spend the taxpayers money as prudently as possible.

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than three

**ROBERT GOEFFREDO SR.**

**BATH COUNCIL AT LARGE**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than four

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than four

**FRANK HESCH III**  
**PHYLLIS ANDREWS**  
**BARRY FENDTERMAKER**  
**MARK A. SAGINARIO**

**CHAPMAN**

**MAYOR**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

## COUNCIL

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**EAST BANGOR COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than three

**PETER ZAZULAK**  
**JASON HUGGAN**

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**No candidates**

**FREEMANSBURG COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than four

**JIM SMITH**  
**HOMER G. LORRAH**  
**JUSTIN "PEANUTS" LaBAR**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than four

**MARGARET REICHARD**

**GLENDON COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than three

**BETH YOUNG**  
**RONALD J. ROSCIOLI**

**HELLERTOWN COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than three

**EARL HILL**  
**MICHAEL McKENNA**  
**PHILIP WEBER**  
**D.O.B.:** 1957  
**Education:** Saucon Valley School, 1980 graduate; Bethlehem Vo-Tech, masonry 1980.  
**Occupation:** Product manager, Bethlehem Precast; Various Continuing Education Precast Industry  
**Qualifications:** Hellertown Borough Council, 15 years; planning commission, 20 years, currently chair; various coaching, 15 years, local sports; Rails to Trails Committee; active in Dewey Fire Company  
**Response:** The biggest issue that I think we face is controlling taxes. This is something that will not be easy to do. Hellertown residents are already taxed at a high millage rate. Controlling this has never been easy for council

and it will not be easy going forward. To address this issue all members of Borough Council must work together closely to tackle this issue.

**BILL BROWN**

**D.O.B.:** 1966

**Education:** BA Miami University (Ohio), 1989; MA Miami University (Ohio), 1992; M.F.A. University of Houston, 1998.

**Occupation:** College professor and author

**Qualifications:** Longtime reporter and editor for news publications in Ohio, Texas, Pennsylvania and United Kingdom 15-plus years; gained comprehensive understanding of municipal, county and state governance. Editor-in-chief of four community newspapers (3 years), communication expertise in verbal, written, and multiple forms as professor at ESU (14 years).

**Response:** Hellertown is a beautiful little community with political leadership that has let its citizens down badly. Cronyism, petty corruption, and a singular lack of imagination have benighted a bright future. We have the highest borough taxes in the county, but we can't cross Main Street without risking death. Through smart planning, aggressive ethics reform, and a sacred vow to listen to ordinary residents, we will transform Hellertown into an even more attractive and livable haven.

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**MICHAEL P. McGONIGLE**

**NAZARETH COUNCIL**

**FIRST WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than two

**MICHAEL KOPACH  
KAYLA GREEN**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than two

**No candidates**

**SECOND WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than two

**CARL A. FISCHL  
DAVID MATTEI**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than two

**LARRY STROUDT**

**THIRD WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**DANIEL R. CHIAVAROLI**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**NORTHAMPTON COUNCIL**

**FIRST WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**KEITH PIESCIEWSKI**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**SECOND WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**KERRY MYERS**

**D.O.B.:** 1954

**Education:** High school graduate EAHS 1972

**Occupation:** Asst. supervisor Lafayette College

**Qualifications:** Past EASD school board member and past president (5 years)

**Response:** As County Councilman I'll make sure everyone knows about services provided by county and how to access them. I'll work to keep the doors open and under county control at Gracedale, also fight to keep open space a priority.

**Republican**

Vote for one

**JULIA D. KUTZLER**

**THIRD WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**FOURTH WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**ANTHONY LOPSONZSKI SR.**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**NORTH CATASAUQUA COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**MICHELE J. HAZZARD  
JOSEPH D. KEGLOVITS  
JESSICA COPE**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**MARK. S. GIOIELLI**

**PEN ARGYL COUNCIL**

**FIRST WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**TAMMY KEMP**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**SECOND WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**JANELL CONNOLLU**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**THIRD WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**JOHN APGAR**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**FOURTH WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**CHARLES KANDI JR.**

**PORTLAND COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than four

**STEPHANIE STEELE  
WILLIAM H. GODSHALK**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than four

**BRIAN KARDOS**

**ROSETO COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**CARL RENNA**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**STOCKERTOWN MAYOR**

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**KENNETH J. ZEMENCSIK**

**COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than four

**CYNTHIA M. HOWER  
KATHLEEN ZEMENCSKI**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than four

**AMY L. RICHARD  
A. JOSEPH GOSNELL**

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**PAMELA J. DAVIS**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**

**TATAMY COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than four

**PAMELA PEARSON  
DANIEL DEWEY**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than four

**No candidates**

**WALNUTPORT COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**DAVID STANKOVIC  
MICHAEL GASTON  
HAROLD C. GREEN**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**WEST EASTON COUNCIL**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**RON NIXON  
PETER MAMMANA  
ROBERT E. LEWID II**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**DAVID M. BOLASH**

**WILSON COUNCIL**

**FIRST WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than two

**JAMES MCGOWAN  
SCOTT PALINKAS**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than two

**No candidates**

**SECOND WARD**

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for one

**PAMELA TAYLOR**

**Republican**

Vote for one

**No candidates**



## THIRD WARD

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than two

**RUSSELL LIPARI**  
**MICHAEL J. SHANNON**  
No response

**TONY VERENNA**

**D.O.B.:** 1944

**Education:** Wilson Area High School grad; 4-year electrical Trade School (union)

**Occupation:** Retired Electrician

**Qualifications:** School Director 25 yrs, Wilson Council Approx 12 yrs

**Response:** Make sure all Council members are on the same page with issues; Not letting the budget get so far below where it should be and then making the taxpayer take up the slack; Keeping a good line of communication with the taxpayer and school district.

**Republican**

Vote for not more than two

**No candidates**

## WIND GAP COUNCIL

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**No candidates**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**GEORGE F. HINTON JR.**

## SCHOOL DIRECTORS

**Candidates were asked:** What do you view as the major issue in this campaign and how will you address it?

### BANGOR AREA AT-LARGE

Boroughs of Bangor, Roseto, Portland; Townships of Upper Mt. Bethel, Lower Mt. Bethel and Washington

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than five

**LARAIN BRANDS**

No response

**CHRISTOPHER MAROZZI**

**D.O.B.:** 1967

**Education:** 1985 graduate Bangor High School, 1989 graduate Washington & Jefferson B.A. Biology, 2010 graduate Green Mountain, Vt., M.S. Environmental Science (SP)

**Occupation:** Senior director, EHS & Sustainability, Lixil

**Qualifications:** Community volunteer, former planning commission member, charity/nonprofit board memberships, current BASD board member

**Response:** Being on a school board and doing it right is hard work. Sacrifices must be made to be adequately prepared in regards to curriculum and technical, building and grounds, finance and many other aspects. 1. My first priority is the safety and security of our children, schools and staff; 2. Working for effective collaborative leadership; 3. Continues improvement of curriculum and technical; 4. Focus on proud accomplishments of our students, alumni, and staff.

**KIMBERLY GAMBLE**

**D.O.B.:** 1981

**Education:** Lenapi Regional Valley High School; Bangor Area High School; PA Homeschool 1999; attended Northampton Community College

**Occupation:** Restaurant owner

**Qualifications:** Bangor Elementary PTA/PTO president/Vice president; Bangor Middle PTSO president/Vice president, 3 years; Thrivent chapter vice president; 2014 Friend of Education Award, Bangor Education Association.

**Response:** I think the biggest issue is academics. We need set curriculum for each grade. We need to become more competitive with other districts. My hope is that having so many administrators we can now accomplish this. We need to support our teachers teaching, not teaching to the test.

**TONI E. LYNCH**

**D.O.B.:** 1947

**Education:** Bangor Area High School graduate 1965; U.S. Army Artillery Officers School Lawton, Oklahoma, graduate 1967;

Churchman's Business College, Easton, one year.  
**Occupation:** Project manager (Better World Building Technology), Bangor since 1975

**Qualifications:** Experience of 7-plus year incumbent, local businessman, motioned 13 times to cut the budget by 2.5 million, opposed common core, developed programs to investigate the 76 billion dollar unfunded pension plan.

**Response:** Develop a budget that cuts 2.5 million of unnecessary spending while maintaining a higher level of educational results. Common core has been declared by those who brought it to the school systems. I have maintained that for over 7 years. Voters need to know where the candidates stand prior to voting, budgets must maintain taxpayers ability to fund them, they must vote for directors who will do it, not just promise it.

**ZACHARY MILLER**

**D.O.B.:** 1997

**Education:** Bangor High School 2015; Penn State University 2019, B.S.B.A.

**Occupation:** Banker

**Qualifications:** Community leader: Bangor Lions treasurer, Bangor Exchange director, State Theatre Usher, church trustees chair (1 year) Collegiate: Founder PSU Leo Club, C.A.B. Board, Beta Gamma Sigma, Sigma Beta Delta. Bangor schools: Advocate for the arts, chorus, and band programs at all grade levels.

**Response:** I view the major issue is the discrepancy of values between administration and faculty. I would address this by taking teachers' concerns and opinions more seriously, so that our frontline educators have a stronger, more prominent voice in both the quality of education provided to our students as well as the quality of life and work our district employees receive.

**BARRY SCHWEITZER**

**D.O.B.:** 1946

**Education:** Graduated Nazareth Area High School 1965, U.S. Army Vietnam Service 1966, '69, various college courses

**Occupation:** Retired after 41 years in cement manufacturing

**Qualifications:** Three years, four months Bangor Borough Council, 5 years Bangor Borough Authority, 3 years as chairman, 28 years in Management BuzziUnicem USA Cement Mfg.

**Response:** To make sure our children get a premium education and to spend the taxpayers hard earned dollars as prudently as possible.

**SCOTT MINNICH**

No response

**ED NELSON**

No response

**MICHAEL GOFFREDO**

No response

### BETHLEHEM AREA AT-LARGE

City of Bethlehem, Bethlehem Township, Hanover Township and the Boroughs of Freemansburg and Fountain Hill

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**

Vote for not more than three

**DEAN DONAHER**

**EMILY SCHENKEL**

**KAREN BECK POOLEY**

**Republican**

Vote for not more than three

**LISA McHALE**

### Region II

Bethlehem 7, 8, 9-1, 9-2, 9-3, 14-1, 15 and Hanover Township

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**CRAIG NEIMAN**

### Region III

Bethlehem 14-2, 14-3, 14-4, 14-5, 14-6, 14-7, 14-8, 15-2 and Bethlehem Township

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for one

**KIM SHIVELY**

kimshivelphd.com

**D.O.B.:** 1963

**Education:** B.A. University of Chicago; MTS Harvard Divinity School; PhD Brandeis University

**Occupation:** Professor, Kutztown University

**Qualifications:** Educator for 20 years in public universities; understand the importance of college preparedness; experience with special needs students and special needs support programs; experience with program assessment, curriculum planning, and classroom teaching and management.

**Response:** Bethlehem schools serve a large population of students with many different talents and needs. The district should continue to provide a high quality education for all its students, by providing a well-rounded curriculum at all grade levels, as well as by enhancing college preparedness and vocational training at the secondary level. All district schools need more support personnel to assist students struggling with special needs, learning disabilities, and other barriers to learning.

**KYLE MICELI**

No response

**SILAGH WHITE**

silaghwhite.com/

**D.O.B.:** 1965

**Education:** Graduate D.M.A. Eastman School of Music, 1997; M.Ed. Lehigh University, 2016

**Occupation:** Administrator of Bel Canto Youth Chorus of the Bach Choir of Bethlehem

**Qualifications:** University adjunct professor 20 years, arts integration with elementary and secondary school expertise, 23 years, Fellow of Educational Policy and Leadership Program, 2014.

**Response:** The charter school funding formula diverts resources to schools that can screen students. EITC funding to private and parochial school scholarships also decreases resources for public schools. It is great that families have choices for their children's education. Families that opt for private, parochial, or charter schools should be responsible for the tuition; not at the expense of the state or district (public funds).  
No response

### EASTON AREA

City of Easton, Borough of Riegelsville, Townships of Forks, Palmer, Lower Mount Bethel

### REGION I

Palmer Township, 8th West Ward in the city of Easton

**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**

Vote for not more than two

**BILL WHITMAN**

www.facebook.com/bill-whitman-forSchoolBoard

**D.O.B.:** 1953

**Education:** Easton High School, 1971 diploma; Kutztown State College, 1976 B.S.; East Stroudsburg University 2000 M.ED

**Occupation:** Retired

**Qualifications:** Easton Area School District teacher, 10 years; EAHS grade level principal, 13 years; parent of 2 graduates of EAHS; grandparent of 2 current students attending EASD.

**Response:** My challenge is to insure our students receive a world-class education using the latest technology in modern, safe surroundings, and at the same time hold the line on spending and avoid tax increases. Can both scenarios be realized? I promise you, the taxpayer, that I will not vote to approve any new spending unless I have personally scrutinized the proposal and I find a compelling reason to do so.

**ROBERT FEHNEL**

**D.O.B.:** 1955

**Education:** 1973 Easton H.S. graduate; computer science associated NNC

**Occupation:** Director Print and Mail Operations

**Qualifications:** My work experiences have provided me with much knowledge that is beneficial when looking at school district business operations. I have served over 32 years on local school boards, the Northampton Community College and other college boards. During my years on these boards I have held various leadership positions.

**Response:** Major issues are providing a quality education at an affordable cost. As you look deeper it is about strategic planning which includes what students will need in the future, maintaining facilities, and the ability to hire and maintain a qualified staff. We must also consider the community's expectations, and ability to afford the plans. I also have a concern about our retired citizens and their ability to afford tax increases.

**JODI HESS**  
No response

**KERRY MYERS**  
**D.O.B.:** 1954  
**Education:** EAHS graduate class of 1972  
**Occupation:** Asst. supervisor Lafayette College  
**Qualifications:** Past member of board 2005 and 2007, 2011

**Response:** To make everything the board of education does is transparent and looking out for the taxpayers. Make sure our children get the best possible education. Make sure the staff gets what they need to make that happen, to support the superintendent in his quest to get the best quality education for the children of Easton Area School District.

## REGION II

Riegelsville, 2nd, 4th, 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Wards of the city of Easton  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**MICHELLE B. PRICE**

**Republican**  
No candidates

## REGION III

Lower Mount Bethel Township; Independent District, Forks Township, 3rd, 6th, 7th, and 8th Ward Eastern District in the city of Easton  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**EDWARD KEEGAN**  
**D.O.B.:** 1957

**Education:** 1980 B.S. Iowa State University; 2001 M.A. Rutgers; 2009 Ed.D. Rutgers

**Occupation:** Instructor IET Task Force Lehigh-Carbon Community College  
**Qualifications:** 35-plus years in K-12 public education; served as teacher, supervisor, assistant principal, principal, and superintendent; 2014: N.J. Child Assault Prevention Administrator of the Year

**Response:** I believe the biggest issue our school district faces is school violence. Besides the obvious safety concerns for both staff and students, school violence takes time away from educational endeavors. We need policies and programs

that empower students so that they will help create a safe and nurturing (SP) environment where our administrators can focus on educational issues and our teachers can efficiently deliver curricula. Eliminating violence in our schools will absolutely improve educational outcomes.

**THOMAS M. FLEMING**  
No response

## NAZARETH AREA

Boroughs of Nazareth, Stockertown, Tatamy; Townships of Upper Nazareth, Lower Nazareth, Bushkill

## REGION I

Bushkill Township, Tatamy Borough and portion of Palmer Upper West  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**KENNETH N. BUTZ JR.**  
**JOSEPH D. VASKO**

## REGION II

Lower Nazareth Township and Upper Nazareth Eastern District  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**ADAM MCGLYNN**

## REGION III

Nazareth 1,2,3, Stockertown Borough, Upper Nazareth Western Division  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**KATHRYN ROBERTS**  
No response

**GREGORY C. LEH**  
**D.O.B.:** 1960

**Education:** Graduate Nazareth Area High School 1978; BA Moravian College 1982, business management, minor accounting, religion; MBA DeSales University 1993, concentration marketing

**Occupation:** Coordinated Health: Associate V.P. Sports Medicine and Performance (April 2018-present); Senior Director of Marketing (Nov 2016-April 2018)

**Qualifications:** 36 years Business experience in sales, marketing and operations; led marketing organizations with \$300-plus million in sales and service revenue; member board of trustees, Nazareth Blue Eagle Education Foundation 2018-present.  
**Response:** As a long-term resident of Nazareth, graduate of NAHS '78 like my parents, my grandparents, brothers and other family, I am very familiar with the importance of educational quality in a school district. As well as two of my children graduated from NAHS and now my two granddaughters are in the district. I have a vested interest to help maintain the education quality here. My 36 years of business experience has prepared me to make decisions and deal with a wide array of issues involving taxes, labor administration and education policy.

## REGION III

**Term:** 2 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**KATHRYN ROBERTS**  
No Response

**Democrat**  
Vote for one

**MICHAEL PITTARO**

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www.linkedin.com/in/drmichaelpittaro/  
**D.O.B.:** 1966

**Education:** Ph.D. — Capella University, 2016; M.P.A. — Kutztown University, 2000; B.S. — Kutztown University, 1989

**Occupation:** Associate professor, American Military University (full-time). Adjunct professor, East Stroudsburg University. Adjunct professor, Northampton Community College

**Qualifications:** Eight years teaching experience; 30 years of proven leadership in education and government; father of two children in the NASD.

**Response:** Narrowing it down to a simple issue is challenging. There are so many issues that warrant our attention — classroom size; impoverished students; pros/cons of technology; bullying; students' physical/mental health; fiscal responsibility. Regarding the above, student readiness to enter college or the workforce must be addressed, which would require evaluating the aforementioned to ensure our children's future success.

## NORTHAMPTON AREA

### REGION I

Allen and Lehigh townships  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**JOHN E. BECKER**  
**D.O.B.:** 1953

**Education:** Graduate, Northampton High School 1971, Graduate, East Stroudsburg University, 1975

**Occupation:** Retired teacher

**Qualifications:** Teacher, 37 years, School board member, 3 years

**Response:** The major issue facing education is funding the increasing demands placed on public education. These would include special education, PSERS and charter schools. Our local board must continue to work with our state representatives to help meet the increase in funding these areas demand. Along with these demands we must find ways to make efficient use of our tax dollars without placing an undue burden on our taxpayers.

**ROBERT K. MENTZELL**  
**D.O.B.:** 1952

**Education:** William Allen High School, 1970; Ursinus College, 1974, B.A. History; Lehigh University, 1978, M.A. History

**Occupation:** Retired teacher

**Qualifications:** 38 years as a secondary Social Studies classroom teacher in NASD. Currently, an NASD School Board.

**Response:** I feel the major issue facing any school board today is to provide a quality education to all students while keeping a rein on expenditures. My 38 years as a secondary teacher in the NASD

have given me a classroom experience that provides me with a unique perspective to enable this district in a positive educational direction. These are my goals which I hope are worthy of your support.

**BARBARA J. KNOLL**  
No response

## REGION II

Borough of Northampton and East Allen Township  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**MICHAEL BAIRD**

## REGION III

Boroughs of Chapman and Bath and Moore Township  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**DAVID GOGEL**  
**JIM CHUSS**

## SAUCON VALLEY AT LARGE

Borough of Hellertown and Lower Saucon Township  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for not more than five

**BRYAN EICHFELD**  
**SHAWN WELCH**  
**SUSAN BAXTER**  
**MICHAEL KARABIN**  
**EDWARD J. ANDRES**

## WILSON AREA

Boroughs of Glendon, West Easton, Wilson; Williams Township

## REGION I

1st and 2nd Wards of Wilson Borough  
**Term:** 4 years

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two

**CORRIE BURKE**  
**JANIS E. KRIEGER**

**Republican**  
Vote for not more than two  
**JANIS E. KRIEGER**

## REGION II

**Term:** 4 years  
**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for one

**HOLLY WAUGH**

**Republican**  
Vote for one

**SCOTT R. WAMSLEY**

## REGION III

**Democrat/Republican**  
Vote for not more than two

**JUDITH A. HERBSTREITH**

**Democrat**  
Vote for not more than two  
**JOHNATHAN JONES**